

Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP)



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The Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) Grant was established by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the purpose of stabilizing communities that have suffered from foreclosures and abandonment. As part of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, the NSP grant funds are meant to be expended quickly and have a positive impact on local economies. Through the purchase and redevelopment of foreclosed and abandoned residential properties and the demolition of blighted structures, the goal of the program is being realized. The deadline to expend all grant funds is May 15, 2011.

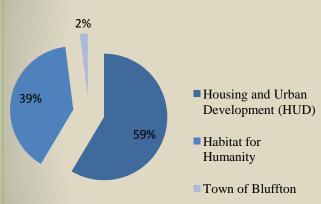
NSP GRANT ACTIVITY	2009	2010	2011
Grant Award			
Demolition Phase I			
Redevelopment Project Phase I			
Affordable Housing Construction Phase I			
Demolition Phase II			
Property Acquisition Phase II			
Affordable Housing Construction Phase II			
Grant Deadline			





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Financial Partners

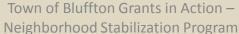




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In the State of South Carolina, the NSP grant is administered by SC State Housing Financing and Development Authority. The Town applied for the grant as a partner with Beaufort Housing Authority, and the City of Beaufort. The three partners received a total award amount of \$2,943,000 for NSP related activities. The Town of Bluffton received \$727,940 of the total amount for the demolition of blighted structures and redevelopment of affordable housing. Removing blight and adding affordable housing throughout the Town will help stabilize the housing market, while improving the quality of life for Bluffton residents.





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Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) Demolition Project #1

240 Buck Island Rd **BEFORE**









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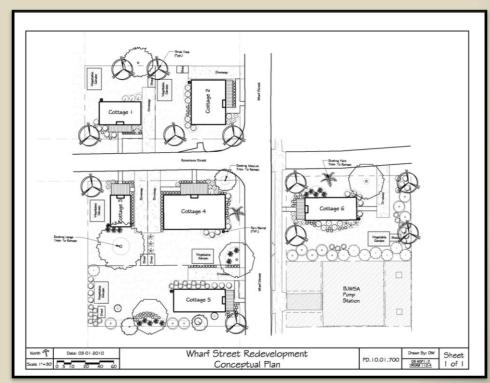
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Redevelopment Project #1

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The Town of Bluffton has partnered with Habitat for Humanity to construct 7 affordable "green" houses as a part of the NSP grant. The grant along with funds from the Town's Affordable Housing budget will be used to purchase land and contribute to some of the construction expenses. Habitat for Humanity is donating time, volunteer labor, and fundraising to pay for construction and minor infrastructure improvements.

The project is intended to not only provide much needed affordable housing in Beaufort County, but also show that it is possible to create cost-effective, environmentally friendly projects.



Town of Bluffton Grants in Action – Neighborhood Stabilization Program